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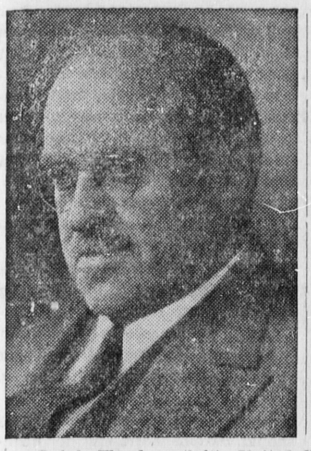

Ralph Flanders (left), United States Senator from Vermont, has been able to accept his invitation to speak at Conference. Robert Jones (right), who last week called Senator Flanders "a left wing internationalist," will appear on the same panel with Senator Flanders.

National Security Problem Tackled By Panel Members

By John von Hartz

Middlebury College's twelfth annual Conference will begin tomorrow night at 7:30 p.m. with the Keynote address, "Dilemma of Freedom and Security" delivered by Dr. Frederick Schuman. The Conference, whose unifying topic is "National Security and Individual Freedom: An American conflict?," will encompass the entire weekend, ending on Sunday afternoon.

Dr. Schuman, Woodrow Wilson professor of government at Williams College, will be introduced by President Samuel Stratton. The address will probably last an hour.

Three Panels

The first Conference panel will be held on Saturday morning at 10 a.m. Classes that morning will be cancelled except for the first two periods whose hours will be shortened. The last class of the morning will be over at 9:20. The first panel will discuss: "What Degree of Limitation on Group Freedom is Necessary for National Security?" There will be four speakers. Donald Mitchell, president of the Sylvania Electric Products Company will speak first on labor's attitude toward the topic. Conversely, Gus Tyler, political action director of the International Ladies' Garment Workers Union will discuss management's roll in regard to the question. It is hoped that the exchange of view points by the management and labor leaders a freer flow of ideas will result.

Reverend Herman Reissig will be the third speaker. A member of the Council for Social Action for Congregational Churches, Reverend Reissig will discuss the possibility of the clergy being limited at all and the possible effects of such a limitation.

James Nevins Hyde will round out the morning talks. Mr. Hyde, who is a member of the law firm who is retained by the Secretary General of the United Nations and himself an ex-member of the United States mission to the world organization, will speak on the amount of national sovereigty the United States can give to an international organization like the U. N.

Each talk will last about 15 to

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Frederick Schuman, Woodrow Wilson professor of government at Williams College, will deliver the Keynote address, "Dilemma of Freedom and Security," to open the Middlebury Conference.

99 Women Pledged To Six Sororities

Pledging of 94 freshmen and five upperclassmen by Middlebury's six sororities last Sunday brought to completion this year's formal rushing season.

The rushing period opened with a Pan-Hell reception on February 1 followed by Open Houses by the respective sororities on Feb. 3, 4, 5. Informal first parties were held on February 11-13 after which rushees signed for three parties they were interested in attending again. A more formal approach was offered in the second parties which took place March 1-10. The sororities submitted their final lists on Thursday evening when each rushee signed preferentially for three groups she was interested in joining. The matching of the lists was performed by a member of the college faculty. Final bids were delivered early Sunday morning.

The following is the list of new pledges:

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Robert Babcock, Vermont State senator and professor of political science at UVM, will serve as moderator for Conference. He will deliver the summary address on Sunday afternoon.

Flanders To Come; Jones Accepts Bid

Senator Ralph Flanders has postponed his projected trip to the Pacific atom bomb tests, and, as originally announced, will speak at the Middlebury Conference on the Saturday afternoon panel. Also taking part on this panel will be Robert Jones, opponent to Margaret Chase Smith for the Republican Senatorial nomination in the Maine primaries.

Flanders, the junior senator from Vermont, last week received nationwide publicity for his denunciation on the Senate floor of Senator Joseph McCarthy, an act which President Eisenhower commended and Senator McCarthy criticized.

On March 10 in a speech at Saco, Maine, Jones labeled Flanders a "left wing internationalist" and added that he would discuss the Vermont Senator's charge against McCarthy at the Middlebury Conference. In his pre-campaign talk, Jones also said that McCarthy has received a lot of undue criticism because of his efforts to root Communists out of the government. "McCarthy is not fighting the Army. He's fighting communists," said Jones.

Most recently serving as executive assistant to Senator Charles Potter, Republican, in 1953 and 1954, Jones held a similar position for Senator Owen Brewster, Republican from Maine, from 1951 to 1953.

He received his B. A. from Bates College in 1948. He served in the infantry in World War II and holds a reserve commission in the United States Air Force.

Flanders has been a member of the Senate since September, 1946 when he was appointed to fill the unexpired term of former Senator Warren Austin. He has been reelected twice.

Conference Topic Can Be Applied To Many Problems

By Jim McElwain

This year, Middlebury's Conference topic is of such a basic nature that all institutions and society rest upon its thesis.

For instance, even the drinking issue at Middlebury can be applied to the topic. To what extent should we curb a good Saturday night party?

If we conform to Vermont State rulings, college policy, and the strictest social rules, the party might never be held. Then again, if we ignore all rules, the local policeman will call a halt to proceedings. Accordingly, an intermediate point exists where the individual's drinking habit is limited, but not completely changed. The point is where group habits are protected, and group security, in part dependent upon the habits, is strengthened.

Another example, where group security would be endangered, is when the fraternity brother waves a gun in our face. If possible, we jump him, take the gun, and lock him in his room. Because the accepted habits do not include gun waving, action runs against individual freedom.

Violations

Unfortunately, violations of the accepted group habits are not always so obvious. Two weeks ago the movie, "Martin Luther," played in Middlebury. It exemplified a more difficult problem: who is to judge

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Religious Heads Named Monday

Michael Philbin '56 and Jeanne Savoye '56 were appointed co-chairmen of next year's religious conference, it was announced this week by Walter Beevers '55 and Judie Mitchell, incumbent co-chairmen. Leigh Updike '56 is the new secretary and Richard Davison '56 is the treasurer.

Philbin has been an active member of the Newman Club, and Miss Savoye has held several offices in the Christian Association. She is the past secretary of the religious conference.

The co-chairmen will select the committee heads before spring vacation and will continue their work through the summer. The topic for next year has not yet been decided on, but, as this year, clergymen or laymen of the Catholic, Protestant, and Jewish faiths will participate

Edwards Chosen Forum President

Elizabeth Edwards '55 was elected president of the Women's Forum for the coming year at elections held Monday and Tuesday, Virginia Rost '54, current president, announced this afternoon.

Other new officers are: vice-president, Linda Donk '56; treasurer, Barbara Hunter '55 and secretary, Kathleen Platt '57. 246 women voted in the election.

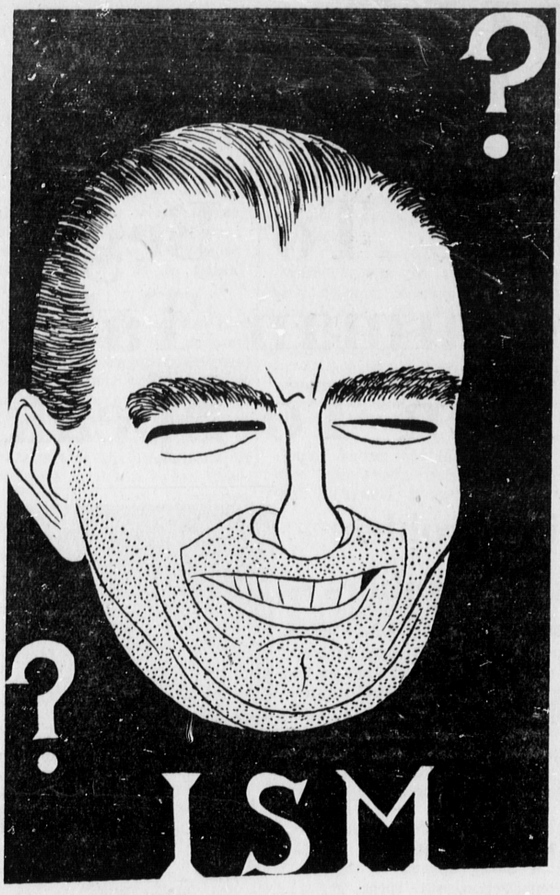
Miss Edwards has done Forum work since her freshman year. She worked on this year's Religious Convocation and is class adviser for the junior class.

According to the Forum's charter, two-thirds of the members must vote in each election. When the polls closed at 5 p.m. yesterday, it was found that the Forum was about 50 votes shy of the necessary total. In order to finish the elections yesterday, Forum officers canvassed the dormitories for members who had not balloted.

The new officers will take over after spring vacation.

Conference Schedule

Friday 19	7:30 p. m.	Keynote Address Frederick Schuman, High School Gym
Saturday 20	10 a. m.	Group Freedom Panel, High School Gym
	2:15 p m.	Individual Freedom Panel, High School Gym
	8:30 p. m.	Informal Discussion, speakers and students, Grand Salon, Chateau
Sunday 21	2:30 p. m.	Summary Address by Robert Babcock, High School Gym



Conference

Americans seem to prefer their public figures as stereotypes. When the figure becomes controversial, the stereotype splits conveniently in the middle and a Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde personality is thrust on the public. Senator Joseph McCarthy of Wisconsin is today's saint-or-sinner in politics. To many, particularly in the mid-West, he is the American messiah, come to rescue democracy from internal corruption. To many others, he is a modern day Mephisto, leading the country straight to Hell. The above cartoon ascribes to the later definition and is probably typical of the attitude at Middlebury.

These are the extremes which national security and individual freedom have reached in the McCarthy case and, sooner or later, the Conference this weekend will have to consider them as such. This discussion should be a live issue because two members of the same panel have expressed opposite opinions about McCarthy. Senator Ralph Flanders severely attacked him and his investigations, gaining the support of President Eisenhower. Robert Jones, senatorial aspirant for the seat of Margeret Chase Smith, has publicly promised to rebuke Flanders' charges at the Conference. If he backs down before Flanders, his political career will be ruined because his campaign hinges on support of McCarthy. We might warn Jones that he will have a tough time convincing most of his audience that McCarthyism has any virtues. Anyway, the meeting of Flanders and Jones promises to be a verbal explosion.

McCarthy undoubtedly will supply the most excitement, but there is another issue involved in Conference this year which may be more important in the long run. There is a need in the country today for a middle road which allows room for both individual freedom and group security. Probably the other speakers who are not so directly involved in the McCarthy issue will be able to make the strongest contributions on this situation. Panel members are qualified to speak on the legal, religious, and aesthetic implications involved. The problem in labor and business is also a real issue. We hope these speakers will provide the real body of the Conference.

In the past, some panel members have been very disappointed because they are unwilling to commit themselves. Those who reveal their real convictions and do not hedge have provided Conference's provocative and rewarding moments. This year the topic is an extremely controversial one and its success depends upon the attitude taken by the speakers.

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McCarthyism Reflects Current Conflicts In American Social And Political Thought

By Mel Gussow

National security is desirable; the question the 1954 Conference will attempt to answer is, "To what extent should individual freedom be limited to achieve national security?"

Always the subject of controversy, in recent weeks with Senator Joseph McCarthy's intimidation of the United States Army and his subsequent reprimand by members of his own party, this topic has pushed other news off the front pages of the nation's press.

McCarthy, in 1950, announced that he possessed of a list of 205 Communists in the State Department, and since that time he has waged a one man battle against Communists in government, schools, churches, labor unions, and most recently, the armed services.

Desire for national security has at least been an external motivation in these investigations; the Conference panels will discuss whether individual rights have been trammeled in them.

Gallup Poll

A January Gallup poll shows 50 per cent of the interviewees having favorable reaction to McCarthy, 29 per cent unfavorable, and 38 per cent approving of his methods, 47 per cent disapproving. Apparently even his supporters have doubts about McCarthy's system of investigating.

McCarthyism, its influence upon freedom of the press, freedom in the arts, academic freedom, its use of Congressional committees to disclose Communists in such areas as the Foreign Service will therefore be a central point of discussion at Conference.

In his State of the Union address President Eisenhower recommended that, "Congress enact legislation to provide that a citizen of the United States who is convicted in the courts of conspiring to advocate the overthrow of this government by force or violence be treated . . . as having renounced his allegiance to the United States . . ."

Hence another Conference question: "Should the Communist Party be outlawed in the U. S.? What effect does Eisenhower's statement have upon American colleges and universities?

Nathan Pusey

McCarthy asked President Nathan Pusey of Harvard to dismiss Dr. Robert Furrey, because of his avowed Communist background, but Pusey refused. Who is right? Has Congress the right to intercede in the hiring and firing of teachers?

Another topic for consideration is the limitations upon freedom of the press. In one investigation McCarthy threw many of his favorite labels at James Wechsler and his paper the New York Post, and he was later condemned by a group of newspaper editors for it. In quest of national security should such stated rights as freedom of the press be tampered with?

Last week in a step towards the close of McCarthy's three year regime, he was berated by such men as Adlai Stevensor and Vermont Senator Ralph Flanders, Republican. An interesting sidelight to Conference is Panel Member Robert Jones' statement to the Maine press that he would answer Flanders at the Middlebury discussion.

Labor And Management

But McCarthy is not the sole topic for debate at the three day seminar. Even without McCarthy the conflict between national security and individual freedom would continue. In such areas as the church, labor and management, and the United Nations, such conflicts seem inevitable.

What degree of sovereignty should nations surrender as members of a world government? What powers should labor and management forfeit to each other? What control should the Church have over the ideas of its people? What control should the government have over the Church?

These questions and many others will pose to the Conference speakers in an attempt to evaluate, "National Security and Individual Freedom: An American Conflict?", with the shadow of the junior senator from Wisconsin lurking behind the tables at all times.

Conference Begins

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20 minutes with a question period following.

At 2:15 on Saturday afternoon the second panel will begin. Their topic will be the same as that of the morning session except that the word group will be changed to individual or, "What degree of limitation on Individual Freedom is Necessary for National Security?" This panel will have five speakers.

Professor Fowler Harper of the Yale Law School will open the discussion with a talk on the "Background of Individual Liberties."

Next will be Wilbert Snow, former governor of Conn., and poet. He will discuss the effect of limitation on the artist.

Robert Jones, who is currently running against Margaret Chase Smith in the Maine Senatorial primary, is ex-secretary of Senator Potter of the McCarthy investigating Committee. He will answer Vermont Senator Ralph Flanders' charges on McCarthy and his tactics. Earlier in the month Jones referred to Flanders as a "Left-wing internationalist."

Next speaker of the afternoon will be Edward O'Neill, city editor of the Louisville "Times", and former Middlebury student. He will discuss the effect of limitations on the press.

Final speaker will be Senator Flanders.

Moderator of both panels will be Robert Babcock, Vermont State senator and professor of political science at UVM.

Informal Discussion

Conference will be continued Saturday night with informal discussions at the Chateau beginning at 8:30 p.m. Students will be given an opportunity to question all the speakers in a less formal atmosphere.

A summary panel will be held at 2:30 p.m. on Sunday afternoon. Dr. Babcock will deliver his summary address and most of the speakers will be there to exchange ideas and answer any questions they might have for each other or from the floor.

Dr. Reissig will preach at chapel on Sunday afternoon. Attendance is compulsory for juniors and seniors.

Letters To The Editor

To The Editor:

Having read in last week's CAMPUS the lengthy and well-expressed letter considering liberalism and individuality at Middlebury, I am inclined to agree with Mr. Martin in his theory; however, I think that it is in part a one-sided argument.

The letter states that a few or maybe more Middlebury students feel they are ready to judge others. Has there ever been a community without a few people who think they have been appointed to the judgement seat? Wherever one goes and whatever one does, whether at Middlebury or any other place, there are always those who judge our grooming, clothing, friends, interests, and behavior according to their own standards. Judging us by what we do is fair, but judging us by what they think we are is stupid and unfair. They do not know what we are. Nevertheless, some feel that judging what we are is entertaining and important; they have no inspiring ambitions of their own, so they are content to exhibit themselves by their distinct proficiency in the judgement of others.

No one admires these people, but they do exist, and they will continue to exist. We must either conform to their tastes or ignore them. And this decision is entirely up to each of us. It is as much our fault as it is the fault of society if we choose conformity at the expense of being true to ourselves.

June Stringer '55

To The Editor:

I wish to congratulate the editors of the CAMPUS and the author of last week's "Letter to the Editor" for their excellent discussion of liberalism on the Middlebury campus. I heartily agree with them that liberalism is a rare thing at Middlebury and that "tired convention" is the predominant force in the college. However, both the editors and Martin seem to have overlooked what seem to me to be some of the basic origins of this attitude and some of the steps that can be taken to correct it.

Freedom

The writer speaks of the "opportunities to become acquainted with true open-minded, free willed liberalism" that are to be found in the classrooms. Actually, how much basis has this statement in fact? Very little, I feel. In how many classrooms is the student encouraged, or even allowed, to express his opinions with complete freedom? Granted, most professors permit what pass for discussions, but it is seldom that these discussions are truly liberal and open-minded. More often, the student who expresses an opinion differing from that of the professor is simply told that he is "wrong" and the professor is "right"; or, even worse, he is made to feel foolish. Naturally the professor knows more about the subject, but does this make his opinions any more "right," in an absolute sense, than those of the student? Every generation must find its own answers if there is to be any intellectual progress. The place of the professor is to guide, not to arbitrarily impose the opinions of his generation upon ours.

Mechanical Recitation

The same may be said of papers and Pre-A's. All too often, tests become more mechanical recitation of facts having little relation to each other and less still to the problems to be met in life. The student who can memorize best gets the best grade. A similarly narrow minded attitude is often applied to papers, which are potentially excellent mediums of intellectual development and self expression. In one course, for example, if the student doesn't take the professor's slant on a paper, he might as well not have written the paper at all, as far as a mark is concerned. After a while, he is forced to conform out of self-defense. Is this liberalism? Is this even education? If it is, assembly-line education has little appeal for me.

I do not wish to suggest that this is true of all professors. Far from it. There are many who make every effort to bring out student opinions, but they are decidedly in the minority. I do not suggest that classrooms should become free-for-all's, every student against the professor and the professor against every student. I do suggest that a

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College Fails To Celebrate Odorless Decoration Month

By Margaret Moreau

Time at Middlebury is meaningless flux. Middlebury men and women are failing to make the most of time; they are failing to co-operate with nation-wide drives designed to instill the carpe diem concept into everyday life. For example, in January the nation at large celebrated Odorless Decoration Week, National Civil Service Week, Stephen Foster Memorial Day, National Crochet Week, National Anniversary of the Tea Bag Week, and National Take Tea and See Week. Middlebury College had three days of Christmas Recess and an Examination Period.

There are a few hopeful signs that some of these plans are penetrating this country college. One local student, recognizing that the week of March 7-13 was National Smile Week, did distribute appropriate couplets typed on note cards then. The College Fire Prevention Committee posted posters during National Fire Prevention Week, and of course the library observed National Book Week and Brotherhood Week with gaily done posters.

Certainly the Food Service Department gets into the spirit of the occasions. It does its utmost to help students keep National Kraut and Frankfurter Week, Pancake Day, Cottage Cheese-Cling Peach Salad Time, Fig Festival, One-Dish Meals With Cheese Month, Raisin and Pickle Weeks, Honey Week, and of course, Butter-Baked Turkey Time. These occasions are observed regularly in college dining rooms.

Clean Air

But these hopeful signs are few, and on the whole, most departments of college affairs are failing to make use of the day, failing to help us fully enjoy the present. The library did nothing for National Save Your Vision Week. We strongly suspect that the smoke stack was issuing forth normal black soot instead of normal gray vapor during Cleaner Air Week. And if the Infirmary is planning a special program for National Foot Health Week or Social Hygiene Week, this newspaper has not yet received notice of it.

The academic divisions, faculty and students alike, are not cooperating with these nation-wide movements. The sociology department spends a good deal of time discussing the problems and joys of marriage, but it does little in "recognizing deeds of kindness and sacrificial service in the interest of mankind made by many spinsters throughout our land." Old Maid's Day goes unnoticed at Midd. And the home ec campus has failed to observe Old Stove Roundup Month or National Trimmed-Dress Week.

The biology department is guilty of omission. What were the anatomy classes doing during Cat Week when they might have tried to "promote the appreciation and understanding of cats and secure better treatment of them?" National Cage Bird Week was not mentioned. And the history, geography, and phys ed departments might well have joined biology to "honor horses (and mules) for what they have meant to this country and the world;" but no, Save the Horse Week went unnoticed as Middlebury went out to cheer for the football team.

Reactionary Isolationists

It is deplorable that even the narrow-minded anti-liberals, the reactionary isolationists of this college have done nothing about National Leave Us Alone Week. It will have to be observed early this year because it comes during spring vacation.

But students, it is not too late. You can make the most of time by knowing what to think, what to do, what to buy during each day. WUA or Waubanakee could, with its surplus funds, order copies of "Special Days, Weeks, and Months in 1954" from the United States Chamber of Commerce; these booklets could be put on hourly reserve in the library. Remember, an informed student body is a vigorous student body. And with full cooperation, time at Middlebury can become a meaningful flux.

Mountaineers Set Schedule

Skyline elected three new sophomore members last week. They were William Willetts, Mildred Ducan, and Diana Schulman.

The Mountain Club spring schedule was also set up at the meeting of the Governing Board on Wednesday night and Skyline Thursday night. Sugaring-off, March 27, will be held at Breadloaf and will feature crazy costume ski races. There will be an attempt to get more interest in day-hikes and to put more responsibility on the tryouts. They will run the day-hikes while Skyline goes elsewhere.

There will be a building crew of men up at the cabin all during Spring vacation. It is hoped that the roof, doors, and porch will be completed at that time.

In addition to the events on the schedule below, there will be an Intercollegiate Woodsman's Weekend on May 8 and 9. Anybody who is interested in competing on any of the Middlebury teams is urged to get in touch with Malcolm McConnell, Skyline president.

March 21- (Conference Weekend)
March 26 Square Dance
March 27 Sugaring off
April 4-11 Vacation Work trip to Skylight Pond
April 18 Day-hike: Duval Aproach Trail to Brandon Gap
April 24 Overnight: Cooley Glen Shelter and South Lincoln
May 2 (Junior Weekend)
May 8 Skyline Trip: Adirondacks
May 9 Day-hike: To Pico (Run by Tryouts)
May 15 Skyline Trip: White Mountains (Moosalac)
May 16 Day-hike: To Snake Mt. (Run by Tryouts)
May 23 Skylight Pond Cabin-Warming.

Advanced ROTC Cadets Enrolled

Sixty-six ROTC cadets, all sophomores with one exception, have indicated their desire to participate in the ROTC advanced course during their junior and senior years, disclosed Lt. Col. Charles Adcock, professor of military science and tactics.

Some cadets expressed their intention to continue military training for a commission upon graduation by accepting deferments in their freshman year, while others have since decided to apply for the advanced training.

Admission to the advanced course is competitive, since only a limited quota, as yet not received from higher headquarters, may be accepted. Col. Adcock indicated that a review of the applicants' records was underway, preparatory to the qualifying physical examinations administered at Army expense in late April and early May. In considering a cadet for the course, factors taken into account are academic standing, leadership potential, and physical aptitude. A cadet, having fulfilled these qualifications, must be recommended by the department of military science and tactics, and have the approval of Dr. Stratton.

Col. Adcock added that the quota may be enlarged by transferring unfilled quotas from other colleges.

Liquor Store Site Sought

Officials of the State Liquor Control Board are looking for a suitable site in Middlebury for a state store, it was announced last week. According to the board spokesman, it considers the affirmative vote at the recent Town Meeting a clear cut mandate from the voters. The town voted 525 for the store as against 388 opposed.

Liquor Administrator Roger Sheridan said that both he and the Liquor Control Board feel that the vote removes any question about majority sentiment concerning a state store in Middlebury.

Although agents of the board had made some preliminary inquiries as to a suitable location, Sheridan did some more looking Saturday morning. He came to Middlebury Friday night with the St. Michael's High School basketball team of Montpelier, of which he is coach.

In view of the fact that there are no existing stores now vacant, an effort will probably have to be made to find someone willing to build a new store and lease it to the state. The Middlebury Merchants Bureau favors a state store within easy access to the business center.

Middlebury Gets "Life" Color Film

Middlebury has been selected as one of the 15 colleges in New England to be allowed to book the color film "The World We Live In". The film, based on the "Life" magazine series on the origin of the earth, will be presented in the High School Gymnasium Wednesday, March 24 at 8 p. m.

Narrated in person by David Keith Hardy, foreign correspondent, the movie features wide-screen projection of paintings and color photographs.

Admission is 50 cents for freshmen, for whom the presentation is compulsory and 75 cents for other students. Tickets are available from representatives in the dormitories and fraternities or in Munroe 3. Porter Hospital will receive the proceeds.

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All Panel Members Favor An Academic Honor System

An academic honor system at Middlebury College was unanimously favored by the four members of the SEPC panel discussion held last week.

Members of the panel included, Grant Harnest, associate professor of chemistry, Thomas Reynolds, assistant professor of history, Lois Robinson '54 and Jeremy Foss '54. Julian Hodges '54 was the moderator. Hodges opened with the question, "What value is the system?" All the panel members gave their opinions on this point. Foss favored the idea of a freer academic atmosphere, prestige for the college, greater student unity and greater appeal to the incoming student. Dr. Reynolds spoke in favor of the dignity and mutual respect that a student under the honor system would produce. Dr. Reynolds went on to point out that even the most unwilling student could not help but change for the better under four years of the honor system, with the aisle-tromping instructor a thing of the past.

Agreement

Both Dr. Reynolds and Dr. Harnest agreed that the system should have the complete support of the students in order to be successful. The system should also be well organized and might best be begun in a limited field.

The discussion then opened to the floor. Many points directly influencing the student entered the picture. "Do we need a reporting clause?" was asked the panel. They felt there should definitely be such a clause, yet there was the reservation that this resolution might result in suspicious relationships even between the best of friends. It was decided that an atmosphere of honor should prevail, and it should not be blemished by an unpleasant and dubious responsibility.

"What should be the penalty for violation?" At the University of Virginia the punishment is dishonorable dismissal. A Middlebury compromise might be leniency for the freshman but expulsion for the upper classmen.

Clause Signing?

"Should the student be required to sign a "I have never given nor received aid" clause?" The panel at first felt this would not be necessary. The respect given a student would be small if he had to write a pledge on each paper. On the other hand, if he did afix his signature perhaps the atmosphere of honor would never dim in his mind.

"How can an academic honor system be inaugurated when no tradition exists?" The replies to this question were rapid. The program should be gradual with publicity and enthusiasm coming from the student body. Shephen Freeman, vice-president of the college, said that Middlebury already had a tradition of honor, and such a code would merely crystalize it.

A. Chandler To Run For County Sheriff

Allen N. Chandler, college campus policeman, has announced that he will run for high sheriff of Addison County on the Republican ticket at the September primaries.

Chandler graduated from Bellows Free Academy in Fairfax in 1934. In 1943 he joined the Vermont Motor Vehicle Department and in 1945 was transferred to Addison County. He took a special course in criminology and police science at Harvard University in May 1950.

He accepted the job as security officer at the General Electric Company in Burlington in 1952. He came to Middlebury in January 1953, to be campus policeman, in charge of traffic, investigations, and security.

Chandler will run against Deputy Sheriff Royce Tucker of Vergennes and State Trooper Morton Coons in the race for high sheriff.

Mail Flows To Old Chapel; Women Deliver By Routes

By Priscilla Noble

When the postman has come and that important letter isn't there, there is still one more hope for Middlebury students: it might come in the campus mail.

Campus mail is that huge volume of letters, papers and cards which comes to the Business Office in Old Chapel. It is made up of mail for professors and departments as well as for students. The handling of this mail is under the direction of Hilton Bicknell, assistant business manager of the college.

The campus mailmen are a group of women students who both sort and deliver. They usually work from one to three hours, three days a week. They are paid according to experience; second year deliverers receiving more than first, and so on.

Three Routes

The campus is divided up into three major routes for delivery. The "A" route receives first attention. It includes offices in Old Chapel, Recitation Hall, Hillcrest, the Student Union, the Playhouse, Homestead, and Weybridge. The "B" route is the Field House, Warner Science Hall, the Chemistry Building, and Monroe. The third and final route is the "C" route which involves Carr, Forest East and West, Willard, Pearsons, Battell North and South, the Chateau, the Music Studio, the Infirmary and the Spanish House.

The routes are arranged in approximate loops to provide easier distribution. The routes are flexible and sometimes a deliverer will have less territory to cover. Occasionally it works the other way, and outstanding carriers have been known to deliver all three routes in one day.

Two Deliveries

Campus mail is delivered twice a day. Sometimes all buildings are not reached both times, however. The biggest problem of the Business Office in handling mail is the vast quantity of mail addressed simply to Middlebury College. This mail has to be opened by the secretaries and then distributed to the proper college office. Many prospective students sending applications make this error and it causes a delay in delivery as well as loss of working time in the office.

Another problem is women's mail which does not include the name of the dormitory in the address. This mistake causes a delay in delivery up to two days. The reason for delay is that this mail must go through the directory service before it can be sent.

IFC Schedules Special Meeting

The Inter-Fraternity Council met in Gifford lounge on Monday evening, March 15.

A discussion was held on the advantages and disadvantages of second semester rushing, and it was decided that a basic program should be prepared in time for discussion at a special IFC meeting on the afternoon of March 22. This was done to enable the problem to be discussed at fraternity meetings that evening.

The council also agreed to leave the drinking clause as it is, allowing prosecution of violators of the drinking code by the Judiciary Council of the Men's Assembly.

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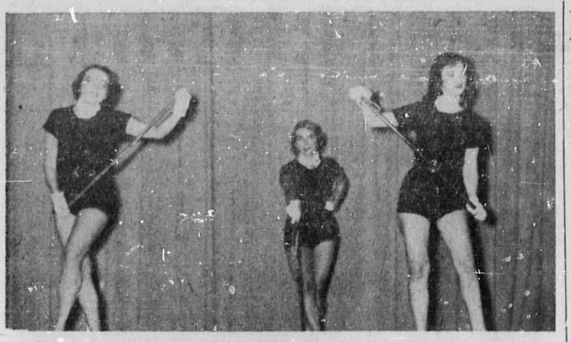

Delinda McCormick '54, Cynthia Fiendel '54, and Diane Draper '57 interpret the modern dance as part of the recital held last week for the New Theater Fund. Photo by Stuart Bacon

Solos Highlight Dance Club Presentation For '54 Season

By Mary Hickcox

"Peter and the Wolf" is a favorite beginner for concerts. The Spring Concert of the Middlebury Dance Club used it successfully for their opening dance interpretation. Susan Tisdell '57 danced Peter with excellent expression to draw the number together for an appreciative audience for the evening.

Three solos highlighted the first act. Ada Sinz '55 to the accompaniment of a pizzacta polka gave a perfect combination of dancing ability and winning personification. The black dress and red rose of Leah Wallat '54 combined well with her cafe lighting to produce a smooth unit. Temporarily stealing the show and drawing laughs of the evening was Cynthia Feindel '54 as a very loose and happy clown. Her short exaggerated movements and affinity with the staccato music and with the audience gave the immediate reaction of a well executed dance.

"The Last Flower"

Thurber's "The Last Flower" closed the first act. This dance sought to interpret the action of Thurber's piece about life after a fourth world war among the listless remnants. Even the dogs forsake the hopeless until the last flower, love, and Thurber restore them to activity, only to repeat again the story of war. This presentation seemed a little awkward, people looked too conspicuously at one another to find out where they should be moving next, but the ending gave it strength.

The second act was dominated by the dancing of Paula Boesch '54. Always in control, purposeful, and appearing relaxed, she is the kind of dancer that an audience singles out to watch. One could not escape the professional quality of her solo "Romance."

Though very well done as a whole, there were few particular faults. One annoying element, was a noisy phonograph. Another was obvious only in small amounts: that of checking on other dancers to find out what step was coming; also seems as if the effect of the concert would be better if no words were spoken out loud as they were by one or two of the dancers.

Lighting, Costumes

The lighting and costumes adequately fitted the dances. The variety of the costumes is a credit to the designer since practically every costume must begin with the basic leotard.

Honorable mention of the evening goes to Diane Draper '57 for her interpretation of the duck in "Peter and the Wolf."

Sororities

Alpha Xi Delta:
Helen Cothran
Diane Draper
Jean Forkel
Carol Gray
Carolyn Hitchcock
Susanne Macdonald
Gaydell Maier
Anne Menten
Marcia Smith
Barbara Zimmerman

Delta Delta Delta:
Barbara Asbury
Betty Jane Davis
Barbara Gordon
Frances Hall
Patricia Judah
Barbara Lesser
Barbara MacLaren
Margeret Perry
Katheleen Platt
Barbara Ransom
Geraldine Raymond
Patricia Timpson
Virginia Wedemann
Barbara Wilson
Margaret Zornow

Transfers
Nancy Heiland '55
Nancy Chase '56

Kappa Delta:
Tania Bayard
Jane Cameron
Barbara Davey
Beverly Davis
Margaret Edwards
Elizabeth Hauck
Judith Holmes
Carol Jardine
Judith Lawton
Jane Matarese
Elizabeth O'Donnell
Althea Uher
Carol VanDuyn
Maxine Vought

Transfers:
Alice McIvor '56
Josephine Paleologue '56

Kappa Kappa Gamma:
Suzanne Babbidge
Ann Boyer
Judith Clement
Ann Dwinell
Florence Everest
Julia French
Judith Hart
Margaret Houck
Marion Keith
Corliss Knapp
Adrienne Littlewood
Eleanor Maier
Suzanne Mersereau
Patricia Miller
Carlotta Paetow
Eleanor Rhoad
Jane Ross
Julie Stone
Barbara Wicks

Pi Beta Phi:
Natalie Bagnardi
Gail Bliss
Karen Dooley
Joan Grenier
Lee Hall
Heather Hamilton
Sabra Harwood
Diane Hildebrand
Lee Johnson
Alyce Kelly
Susan Lawrence
Suzanne Lehman
Elizabeth Mooney
Priscilla Noble
Mary Pitcher
Alexandrine Post
Barbara Rice
Catherine Rock
Shirley Whitney

House Privilege:
Adele Parker '56

Sigma Kappa:
Alice Armstrong
Mary Ellen Bushnell
Leslie Carpenter
Pamela Clark
Carol Curtiss
Mary Dickey
Ann Eckles
Jane Fraser
Martha Johnson
Suzanne Linn
Jean Bobban
Ann Messler
Sandra Nelson
Helen Pagoulatos
Jane Pentland
Jane Smith
Carol Stone

Transfer:
Charmian Lamble '55

Berger Chooses New College Choir Members For 1955

Jean Berger, director of the choir and assistant professor of music, announced the 1954-55 Middlebury Choir this week. The choir for next year is slightly larger than this year's choir with 26 new members chosen from the more than 90 try-outs.

The new choir includes, Sopranos: Patricia Blake, '55, Sylvia Farmer '55, Marjorie VanLeuvan '55, Elaine Bliss '56, Heloise Gilmore '56, Judith Grout '56, Nancy Marvin '56, Darlene Nelson '56, Meredith Parsons '56, Sally Thomson '56, Virginia Baker '57, Judith Holmes '57, Patricia Judah '57, Alyce Kelly '57, and Mary Porter '57.

The Altos are Marjorie Darling '55, Cynthia Eastman '55, Sally Gerhart '56, June Higgins '56, Gretchen Kratz '56, Diana Shulman '56, Carole Stevens '56, Leigh Updike '56, Barbara Worfolk '56, Mary Bushnell '57, Diane Carlisle '57, Holly Goodhue '57, Nancy Jackson '57, Eleanor Maier '57, and Carol Nichols '57.

Tenors include Ellis Baker '55, Peter Baldwin '55, Clive Coutts '55, Minot Dole '56, John Kettell '56, Lucien Marchand '56, James McCrea '56, Philip Montgomery '56, Ronald Potier '56, Spaulding Taylor '56, Merrill Mack '57 and John Middleton '57; and the Basses are John Ackerman '55, Richard Catlin '56, Clarence Curtis '56, Robert Goodchild '56, John Hammond '56, Ronald Lawson '56, Edward McDowell '56, Channing Murdock '56, David Sandstrom '56, Richard Westfall '56, Ronald Ohslund '57, Harris Poor '57, Wyman Rolph '57 and George Sims '57.

Berger announced that the choir is planning Christmas and Easter programs and a full evening program with the Vermont Symphony aside from their regular chapel services for next year.

Letters

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more open-minded attitude on the part of the faculty would lead to greater opportunity to put liberalism into practice.

Own Convictions

Neither do I suggest that the faculty alone is responsible for the lack of liberalism at Middlebury. The students are also at fault, and grossly so. How many students, for instance, go to the library with the idea that they have the right to judge what they read in the light of their own convictions, that their convictions may actually be either strengthened or subjected to reconsideration in the light of what they read; and how many students go to the library because it's just another assignment? Furthermore, how many students seriously discuss the current news, outside of classes, with any frequency? How many students, other than the C. C. class, even buy a daily newspaper? I would be interested in the statistics.

Faculty Production To Star Handy In Moliere Comedy

"The Doctor In Spite of Himself," a farcical comedy by Moliere, will be put on by the Cosmos Club for the benefit of the playhouse fund at McCullough Gym on March 31.

The cast, in order of appearance, was released this week by Dean Storrs Lee, who authored last year's production. The cast, in order of appearance: John Handy, Priscilla Klein, Leslie Bigelow, Peter Walton, Albert Ewell, Fred Bowman, Myra Bourcier, Betsy Scott, and Henry Prickitt. The director is Claude Bourcier.

The comedy was performed for the first time on August 6, 1666 in Paris. The translation is an unpublished one which was done by Gordon Argo, a former student of Professor Bourcier at the graduate school of French. Argo now has his own summer theatre at Orleans on Cape Cod.

Others on the production staff include: Script, Edith Illick and Mrs. Leslie Bigelow; Stage Manager, Ed Leclair; Lights, James Van Wart; Scenery, Peter Walton; Costumes, Margaret Curtis. The scenery and costumes will be provided by the French School.

In addition, there will be a musical program put on by a musical outfit under the direction of Alan Carter. There was a meeting of the committee in charge of the show last night, at which time the details of the production were worked out.

Religion

In regard to religion, I feel that the Middlebury student body is far from possessing the spirit of liberalism that Dr. Pusey was defining when he spoke of "inquiry into fundamental truths in every field of knowledge, no matter where the trail leads, no matter how unpopular the result." How many of us actually know enough about our religion to justify our faith in it? Do we really have a strong enough faith in anything outside ourselves to meet the demands of life outside a community that protects us from everything except our consciences; which sometimes tries to protect us even from them?

Again, these questions do not apply to all members of the student body. There are many individuals who can be said to demonstrate the true spirit of liberalism in their approach to education and to life. I should be very happy to hear that these individuals are more numerous than I have found them to be. However, I do feel that the majority of students would do well to reconsider their own lives in the light of the liberalism that most of us basically believe in, but so few of us carry out.

Georgiana Ward '55

To The Editor:

I would like to express my concern over the point of agreement between last week's letter to the editor and the accompanying CAMPUS editorial.

The editorial agreed that tired convention is the keynote of Middlebury; that this is particularly true considering the heavy stress placed upon the traditions of Middlebury, not only by the students but also by the administration. The essence of the paragraph was that tradition is valueless at Middlebury.

How can school spirit flourish in a college with no tradition? Would not the college soon become a factory turning out students who have not only lost their identity but the college's as well. At a college such as Middlebury, where our football teams don't go to the Rose Bowl and the emphasis of the college departs from athletics, tradition is a unifying force, forming a common bond between all students and separating Middlebury from all other colleges. From that should school spirit arise. "To be reminded continually that we were founded in 1800" does not mean that "our accent is on the past", but that there is pride in the heritage of the college.

It seems now that the fashionable thing to do is to tear down tradition. Perhaps more students don't comply with tradition than do --- then they wonder where the school spirit is. School spirit doesn't have to be shown by every student donning a Middlebury sweat shirt and pasting a similar decal on his forehead. It can be shown by justifiable pride in one's college. A lack of pride and the subsequent apathy can be sensed by prospective students who become interested in Middlebury, by our athletic teams who thrive on our support and by the individuals who will form the alumni.

A more whole-hearted support of Middlebury's traditions can lead to a more wholesome and constructive school spirit.

Jeremy Foss '54

To The Editor:

The panel discussion held in the Student Union last Wednesday evening brought forth many of the advantages and disadvantages of an academic honor system in general, and whether or not it would work in our college community. This system certainly deserves more consideration, as was pointed out in the discussion, and the matter should be brought before the student body as a whole.

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However, we must first be sure that the student body knows what the academic-honor system provides, and what the factors, pro and con, are in relation to such a plan. To do this means that a publicity campaign must be undertaken, a campaign which will reach every student. This flow of information must not stem from one source, but rather must come from a diversity of sources, for it is impossible for one organization to touch personally every member of the student body. One committee should not be allowed to handle the task alone, for the proposal should touch everyone.

Careful Discussion

It is the duty of each of us to consider the advantages of the academic honor system, as well as the disadvantages, from a completely disinterested standpoint. Then after having carefully discussed each issue judgment may be made as seen fit.

There is one more fact that ought to be faced here. This is the point that when anyone mentions the term academic honor system, many people immediately comment that they would refuse to cooperate with any system that involved the reporting of a violation of accepted convention by one of their friends. Then, after having made this statement, they refuse to proceed toward a constructive discussion of the honor system. First, by making it necessary for at least two or more students to present an accusation. And second by the use of social pressure in such a manner that violation of the honor system will be so highly improbable that it will approach non-existence. Thus, if this, the biggest obstacle to open discussion of the academic honor system can be overcome, the way is open to an interplay of ideas which shall lead us to some conclusion concerning this most applicable and timely topic.

Russell Briggs '54

(Editor's Note: Next week the CAMPUS will conduct a survey to find undergraduate opinion on an honor system at Middlebury.

Middlebury Retains Eastern Ski Crown

A Point At Issue

By Ernie Lorch

The news came in at 1:30 on Sunday morning that the Tri-State League Champions were now champions of the nation in hockey. This team from RPI had traveled to Colorado and beaten the best that the West had to offer - Michigan, defending champs, 6-4, and finalist Minnesota by 5-4 count in overtime. Fox, Chiarelli and Moore made the All-Star team while Fox was voted most valuable and Moore the best skater in the tournament.

Earlier last week a column came out from Boston stating the following. The coach of Boston College claimed that his team was by far the best hockey club in the East. Out West it was Minnesota 14 - B. C. 1 and Michigan 7 - B. C. 2. It has never been our policy to rub salt into the wounds of any courageous ball club and the only reason this comparison is being made is because of a statement that the same coach made at a Hockey banquet two weeks ago Monday. We play the roughest schedule in the East, the gist of the quote stated; we engage 18 fine teams and only one weak sister. In brackets was the statement, that weak sister is Middlebury College. We here at Middlebury do not dispute the fact that the Boston College club is superior to our own Panthers but the charge of weak sister and roughest schedule deserves challenge. Boston College engages a strong team from Providence which lost to an equally powerful sextet from Hamilton - Middlebury 11 - Hamilton 1, Middlebury 9 - Hamilton 3. They also play Boston University four times and North Eastern University four times, neither school being in the top ten of Eastern College teams. If we are the only weak sister the Boston College coach must be forgetting the 50 per cent of the schedule he has played with the same clubs on practically home ice to garner better the 50 percent of their wins. Credit must be given where it is due. Against St. Lawrence the B. C. team split, winning on the road while losing at home. Against the Panthers, who had not previously held half a dozen practices on ice, they won a 5-2 decision with the winning goals all coming in the third period. The iceless wonders from Middlebury held RPI to a 4-2 win at Troy after having practiced plays on a cement floor with wooden pucks. This is the weak sister that boast an All-American, Doug Binning, and a leading scorer in Ronnie O'Keefe.

Last week from Hanover came a news release. Doug Binning voted outstanding player to appear on Davis Rink. Ronnie O'Keefe centered the second line with a boy named Cleary of Harvard - perhaps they've heard of him in Boston.

The All-New England (Boston Sport Writers team) was released last week. Again conspicuous by his absence was Doug Binning. Even last year as a first team All-American he could not convince the writers of the Boston Press. In basketball Sonny Dennis was chosen on every coaches team including N. Y. Sports writers with Clune of Navy and Palazzi of Holy Cross; on the Colliers Team for District I and on the All-State Squad. He could not make first or second or third team in Boston. Gee thanks - he heads the honorable mention.

We can forgive a rabid partisanship of college undergraduates or of a coach pushing his team for a tourney bid. The rash language and the obvious ignoring of Middlebury and Vermont stars cannot forever be silently tolerated. We apologize for nothing or to no one - we are glad to toot our own horn if we believe it is deserved. I guess in Boston Middlebury has, on the sports scene, been banned.

Streeter; Cote Outstanding At Lyndonville

By Art Goldberg

The Middlebury Ski Team was able to hold off a determined last day effort in the Nordic events by the University of New Hampshire up at Lyndonville this past weekend, and go on to take the Eastern Intercollegiate Ski Championship for the second straight year. Leading the parade once again for the Panthers was Captain Les Streeter who annexed his fourth Skimeister title of the season despite a near disastrous fall in the downhill. Also contributing heavily to the Middlebury cause were reliable Tom Lamson and Marcel Cote who was skiing in his first major meet since being injured early last year.

Lamson, who has been a steady but not spectacular performer all season, was actually in the running for the Skimeister award right up until the last event, which was the jumping, was completed. However, he finished way off the pace in twenty sixth position in the jump and this put him out of the picture. Cote played a big part in giving the Panthers a nine point lead in the Alpine events. In the downhill he wound up second, trailing only Egil Stigum of Dartmouth, and in the slalom he was fifth, giving him the number two spot in the Alpine Combined which was won by Stigum with 188 points.

Middlebury with Cote second, Jack Beattie third, Lamson fifth, Tom Burns sixth and Streeter who fell at the last turn and wound up in eighth place, dominated the downhill. The slalom was won by Tom Lefebvre of St. Lawrence with Laval College of Quebec second and Dartmouth taking second and third places. However, Streeter finished fourth, just in front of Cote in fifth place and Lamson and Burns took the sixth and ninth positions to give the Panthers top spot in this event also.

The Alpine Combined totals, in addition to Cote's second, saw Lamson third, Burns fifth and Streeter sixth to give Middlebury a nine point lead over Dartmouth and a fourteen point advantage over St. Lawrence at the end of the first day. New Hampshire was mired in seventh place at this point, over thirty points away.

With the two Nordic events coming up UNH suddenly sprang to life and took three of the first five places in the nine mile cross-country which was won by Claude Richer of St. Lawrence. Jon Riisnaes who was to win the jump later in the day, was in the runner up spot for New Hampshire, and was closely followed by teammates Osgood and Field. For Middlebury this was their weakest event as they placed only three men, Lamson sixth, Eliot eleventh and Streeter twelfth and wound up behind UNH and St. Lawrence in the team totals. Dartmouth fared little better however, finishing up in fifth place.

The jumping which closed out the meet, saw the Wildcats in control again. Riisnaes, who seems to duplicate every Streeter Skimeister with a win in his specialty, scored his fourth victory of the year with leaps of 107 and 110 feet off the twenty-five meter incline to edge out teammate Dick Field once again

A big surprise was the third finisher, Panther freshman Norm Cummings. In fifth spot was Streeter followed by Gordy Ulmer in sixth and Rick Eliot in eleventh position. Once again UNH was the team winner with Middlebury a close second and Dartmouth third.

The Nordic Combined showed New Hampshire far in front on the basis of their two clear cut triumphs with a near perfect 99.99 points, but in the final standings the Wildcats could not overcome the early Middlebury lead and wound up with 557.49 points to the Panthers 573.10. Dartmouth, sorely missing the services of its two aces, Tom Corcoran and Bill Tibitts who were out in Aspen, Colorado for the National Alpine championships, finished in fourth place with 551.23 points.

Ski Captains Les Streeter, of Middlebury, and Bill Tibetts, of Dartmouth, look over the snow situation before the Lyndonville meet. The Dartmouth ace, however, headed for the deeper snows of Aspen, Colorado, for his racing; while Streeter stayed close to home to cop his fourth skimeister in as many times out at the Eastern Championships.

Ron O'Keefe Elected Captain Of 1954-55 Panther Ice Edition

By Walt Mears

With the current ice season over, and the North End of the Field House having been returned to its more maudlin off-season activities, such as MST drills and indoor spring sports workouts, the big news on the Middlebury hockey scene this week concerns the election of the man who will captain next season's sextet; sophomore scoring ace Ron O'Keefe.

In his two seasons of hockey at Middlebury, Ron has established a name for himself throughout the East as an outstanding competitor. A smooth, fast skater, and an extremely tricky stick handler, O'Keefe has been Middlebury's high scorer during both of those campaigns. As a freshman Ron came up with 19 goals and 19 assists for a total of 33 points, and in the season just over, he hit the light 26 times, and assisted on thirteen other scores, thus bettering his 1953 record by one point. With a total of 77 points to his credit already, and two seasons of hockey still before him, Ron is well on his way to becoming one of Middlebury's all time high scorers. His freshman performance placed him tenth in the East as a scorer, and gained him national recognition with an Honorable Mention All American selection, and his role on this season's club should place him in the running once again when the collegiate hockey laurels for 1954 are being awarded.

O'Keefe; New Hockey Capt.

O'Keefe began his hockey career at St. Patrick's Academy in Sherbrooke, Quebec, where he gained his grammer and high school ice experience. After graduating from St Patrick's he spent one season playing for the Quebec Citadels, a Jr. B outfit and a New York Ranger farm team. The Citadels went on to capture the Eastern Canada Jr. B Championship with Ron providing a large share of the spark which brought them to the top. Moving to Midd, O'Keefe centered on the Panther's second line last season, playing between Mac Binning and Skip Jennings. This year Mac has again been in the left wing spot, while Pete Cooney and George Carey have been operating on O'Keefe's right, to round out Midd's first line.

Ron looks upon RPI and St. Lawrence as the best sextets he has skated against this season. RPI's Albie Moore and Chico Chiarelli get his nod as two of the best as far as individual opponents go, and the Engineer's Bob Fox is rated by O'Keefe as the best goal-tender he came up against during the '54 campaign. He feels that Rensselaer's victory in the recent NCAA tournament proves that competition in the Tri-State League can be rated with that in any hockey loop in the country. He looks for an improvement in Middlebury's ice fortunes within three or four years after the advent of artificial ice.

The loss of the four senior icemen who skated with this season's outfit will hurt the Panthers next year, says Ron, but on the bright side of the picture, Middlebury's hockey legions will not be depleted by graduations again until 1956, since there are no juniors on the '54 sextet.

In individual games this season, Ron has come up with four hat tricks, as well as outstanding performances in the RPI and Dartmouth encounters. O'Keefe provided both of Middlebury's goals in the Dartmouth game, and he came up with one of the Panther's two markers against RPI in the bitterly contested encounterer played at Troy. He lit the light four times against Amherst, and scored three goals apiece in the Williams, Hamilton, and Army contests.

BUSH LEAGUE

By Warren D. Fuller

Third Year For D. U.

Delta Upsilon captured the Annual Red Kelly Ski Meet for the Greek letter men this past weekend. It was the third year in a row that the DU clubbers have accomplished the feat. Consistency paid off in the end as they placed second in all three events but won on total points.

Thursday afternoon the boys galloped around the improvised cross country course up near Summer School. The course was some two and a half miles and resembled a long sprint more than a real cross country grind. Sig Ep won handily as Norton took first, Freeman copped fourth, and Moose Johnson handily pulled in fifth. D. U. came in second with Davenport in second place, Ogden in eighth, and Maynard in fourteenth place. Third place as a team was Chi Psi. Theta Chi and KDR followed and the rest followed them.

Friday brought the Giant Slalom. Theta Chi led by Punderson, late

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Nelson Opens Lacrosse Drills Indoors

By O. S. Morton

For the past several weeks, the Middlebury lacrosse squad, with a turnout of some 35 prospective candidates, has been holding daily drills under its new coach, "Duke" Nelson, in preparation for the coming season.

Lacrosse marks the third sport which "Duke" has tutored this year, and he will coach the golf team later in the Spring. He replaces Mr. Parker who directed the team to a 4-5 record last season. Monk Ogden will captain the 1954 Panther aggregation. Although the loss of three outstanding players of last year's squad, Bob Kelly, George Byers, and Jim Bartlett, will hurt the Panthers considerably, Coach Nelson finds every position, well stocked with veteran performers. A large freshman turnout for the opening practices may promise good things for the future.

At the attack positions, Middlebury will probably start Captain Ogden, Bob Sullivan, and Dave Stone. For defense, the Panthers have Clive Coutts along with Marcie Garcia and Joel Hamilton. Fighting for the midfield posts will be Harry Freeman, Chan Murdoch, Bill Fletcher, and Mike Podell. All these men have had at least one year's experience on the Midd team. Dave Strachen returns from last season as goalie and will have strong competition from freshman Ken Farrar.

Forced indoors lately due to the snow and wet grounds, the squad has been drilling in the hockey section of the Field House. Coach Nelson has been stressing fundamentals and keeping a watchful eye out for new talent from among the freshmen.

The Panthers have tentatively scheduled scrimmages against Dartmouth and RPI, but no definite dates have been set. The season opens on April 17 when Middlebury journeys to Boston to meet Harvard. Other scheduled away encounters are Union, April 21; New England, May 5; Williams, May 8; Dartmouth, May 17. The three home contests include Amherst, April 24, Massachusetts, May 12; and New Hamphire, May 19, the final game of the 1954 campaign.

Sport Awards Announced

The following men were awarded the Varsity "M" in hockey for the 1953-54 season: Douglas J. Binning, Malcolm S. Binning, Bernard E. Bouvier, George G. Carey, Alexander J. Carley, Peter H. Cooney, Gordon A. Decarie, Kendall Farrar, David L. Kunzmann, Donald O. Menard, Thomas S. McKnight, Ronald D. O'Keefe, Samuel B. Patch, and Ronald M. Schopp. John Akey was elected manager and Kenneth Johnson assistant manager for the 1954-55 season.

The following men were awarded the Varsity "M" in Basketball for the 1953-54 season: Cyrus P. Anfindsen, Alfred D. Dennis, John J. Hoops, James H. Hunt, Edward F. Killeen, Robert H. Perkins, and Charles L. Sykes. Richard J. Higgins was elected manager and H. Gardner Barnum was elected assistant manager of basketball for the 1954-55 season.

40 Candidates Workout For Panther Nine

By Zip Rausa

More than forty men have answered Coach Bobo Sheehan's call for baseball candidates for the 1954 season, and official workouts began last Monday in the Memorial Field House.

Captain Pete Cooney substituted for Sheehan in handling the workouts while the Ski Coach is still involved with alpine activities.

The outfield seems to be strong this season with three of last year's lettermen coming back. Cooney, of course, will operate in center field, while Dick Makin and Julie Hodges will play in left and right field respectively. Two sophomores, Bob Keating and Cy Anfindsen started a majority of last year's games at third base and short stop, with Bob Ducharme, the second senior on the club, at the second base spot. Jim Wagner, and either Rog Tirone or Bob Dean are also expected to see activity in the infield. Wagner is a short stop and Tirone and Dean will be vying for the catching position held last year by Doug Binning. First base is also open and may be filled by Dick Whitney or Lou Perkins.

In the pitching department Chuck Smith, a sophomore back after seeing plenty of experience last season, and Jerry Ocurr are the only upperclassmen who saw considerable action on last year's nine. Freshmen Dick MacDonald and Dick Simon, both left-handers, may see activity on the mound position.

The season's schedule hasn't been announced as yet but most of the games will be played in April, providing the weather is good. Sheehan expects to carry a 20 man squad and competition will be tough all along the line. Chances for a successful season for the Panthers will probably depend on the experience of last year's underclassmen and the added strength of the 1954 yearlings who will supplement the available hitting and fielding power.

Bush League

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a released Bobo boy and Harrington who copped second and ninth places respectively won. D. U. was second as Fuller copped a fourth and Gray a fifth. Sig Ep and KDR followed in close order. The individual honors went to PKT's John Morgan who navigated the rather wide open course in a near 40 second flat performance. He was a second ahead of the next man. Hats off to Will Admirand who did a great job handling the cold mess.

Saturday and the jump. 3 teams were close to a tie now for top spot. Sig Ep was ahead because of the wide margin they accumulated in the Xcountry. D. U. was right behind by a mere point. Theta Chi was pushing them. Harrington of TC won the deal. Fuller and Punderson tied for second. Gray picked up a forth and that was a cincher for D. U.

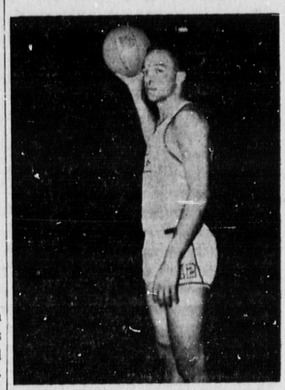
Theta Chi's Frank Punderson combined a tenth in the cross country, a second in the slalom and jump to garner the coveted Intrameister award.

Marine Leaders' Applications Due

Captain Robert Maas of the Marine Corps has advised that the men who have applied for the Platoon Leaders Class will only be in the Marines for two years; those who are just applying will have to serve three years.

The senior men who have been in the Officer's Candidate Course for three years will have their applications sent in about May 1. They will not know the results until June 1.

Dennis To Captain 1954-55 Quintet



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Flames Ruin High School

Middlebury High School was completely gutted by flames early this morning. The blaze was discovered by the night watchman and the first alarm turned in at 3:30. The whole roof of the building was aflame by the time firemen reached the scene.

Unit from Bristol, Vergennes, and East Middlebury were called to the aid of the local department. Black smoke billowed thick, making the firemen's job more hazardous. The blaze was brought under control about 5:30 a.m.

Warren Needham, the night watchman who discovered the blaze, was found unconscious just outside the school by Police Chief Don Williamson. He was rushed to Porter Hospital where he was reported this morning to be suffering from shock.

The High School Gym was untouched, but it is doubtful whether Conference will be able to use the building this weekend because of water and smoke damage. Heating is another major problem.

The loss leaves the town without facilities for about 300 students. Where they will be placed until a new building can be found was not immediately known this morning.

Senior Week Heads Named

Ernest Lorch '54 and Patricia Lothrop '54, co-chairmen of Senior Week, have announced the committee heads for Senior Week, which takes place in June preceeding graduation.

Robert Black, Warren Fuller, and Barbara-Ann Fitzgerald will head the Class Day Committee, while Russell Briggs and Cecily Mattocks will have charge of programs and announcements. Foster Kay and Joanne VerBryck head the Senior Ball, with William Skiff and Marcia Kraft in charge of the barbeque picnic, and Joyce Conway taking care of caps and gowns.

Lorch announced that there will be a policy meeting this week to make further plans regarding committees.

Topic

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and determine if the accepted habits are being violated and if a threat exists to group security?

If the problem is a borderline case, where the facts are nebulous, there will be a group claiming violation and a group claiming non-violation. In the Reformation, one group was the people of old Germany who followed Luther's actions, while the other group was the established church. The church stood against Luther and brought him to trial, because it wanted to secure its position against the individual.

Which group was in the right? Nobody could be sure whether Luther was a threat or not, because there was no final judge. Since it is a religious matter, the point is still in question.

Points outside of religion are easier to resolve, however. For example in America, the people hold the power to make judgement on all problems, or in Argentina, Peron holds the power to judge. There may be two sides to an issue, but the side with the power and authority makes the final decision. In the case of the Conference topic the decision is whether group security is threatened or not.

But what about the United States? During the depression, citizens agreed to give up a small part of their weekly pay-check, so that they would have security in their old age. Even though the two sides to the question were vigorously argued, the people exercised their power and chose security by means of a majority vote in Congress. This was significant of all New Deal philosophy, and it was clear that in the time of need, security was more valuable than individual freedom - and freedom was a luxury in such times.

Finally, the Conference topic includes the point that man will give up freedom to the extent where his sense of security is satisfied, and the process will involve an increase of power for group habits or group institutions.

A question that includes the panel members' subject is: How close must a threat against security come to each American before he will relinquish individual freedom for a greater group strength.

Pinned last week were Helga Neuse '56 and John Tremaine '55. Engaged are Jack Buckingham '55 and Alexis Angell '56.

"Frontiers" will be distributed shortly after spring vacation, the editors reported this week. The manuscripts have been sent to the printer. Beside the stories and poetry, "Frontiers" this year is also publishing several photographs and line drawings.

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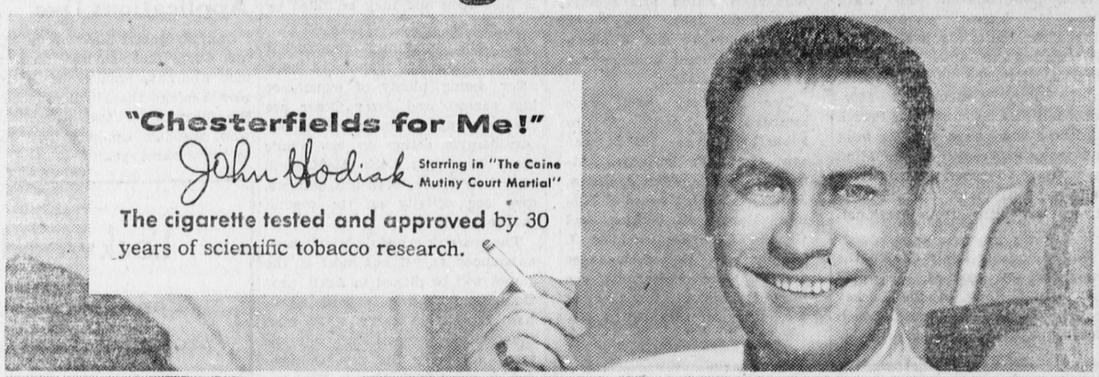
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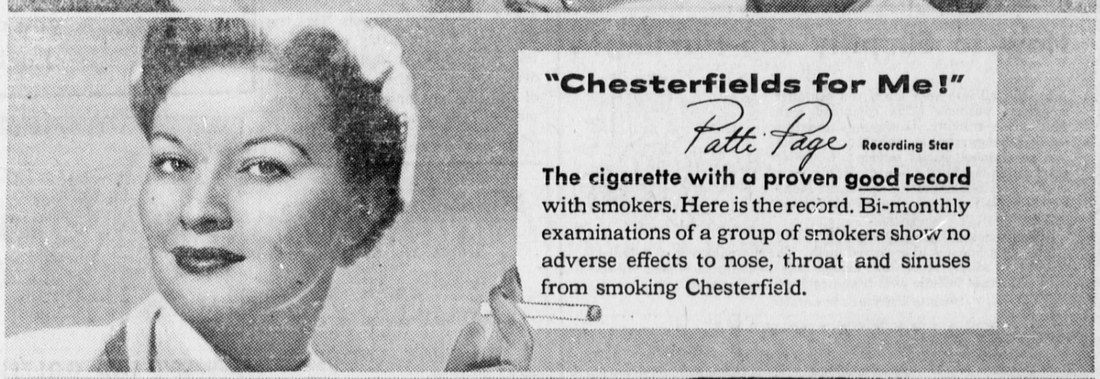
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